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TO AMEMBASSY VIENTIANE PRIORITY
INFO AMEMBASSY BANGKOK
AMEMBASSY MANILA
AMEMBASSY PARIS

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SUBJECT: CODEL MONTGOMERY VISIT TO LAOS

REF: VIENTIANE 0876

1. WE EXPECT THAT ALL MEMBERS OF THE CODEL WILL CALL ON
LAO OFFICIALS BUT THAT DECISION AS TO WHO AMONG THE ESCORTS,
STAFF AND PRESS WILL ACCOMPANY THE CODEL ON CALLS WILL BE
MADE ON THE SPOT BASED ON CODEL AND LAO WISHES AND TRANS-
PORT CAPACITY.

2. WE APPRECIATE EMBASSY'S INFORMATION REGARDING PROBLEMS
POSED FOR TRAVEL ON MONDAY FLIGHT FROM HANOI TO BANG-
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KOK. WE REQUEST THAT EMBASSY MAKE FOUR RESERVATIONS FOR
SATURDAY FLIGHT TO BANGKOK, ANTICIPATING THAT ALL PRESS MAY
DECIDE TO LEAVE ON THE 26TH. EMBASSY SHOULD ALSO ATTEMPT
TO RESERVE ONE SEAT FOR AUGUST 30 FLIGHT, IN CASE ONE
JOURNALIST DECIDES TO REMAIN IN VIENTIANE FOR AFEW DAYS.

3. EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS WITH THE CODEL DURING ITS

STAY IN VIETNAM SHOULD BE HANDLED THROUGH THE BRITISH
EMBASSY.

4. CODEL WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION, NO MATTER HOW
TENTATIVE, REGARDING ITS SCHEDULE IN VIENTIANE. IF
AVAILABLE, SUCH INFORMATION MAY BE TRANSMITTED TO CODEL IN
MANILA OR EMBASSY MAY INFORM CODEL OF SCHEDULE THROUGH
BRITISH EMBASSY IN HANOI.
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